(c) The allegations were enquired into and were found without substance.

Import of finished medicines

2809. CHOWDHURY RAM SEWAK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:-

(a) what are the mames of finished medicines imported for stock and sale in the country from 1st Jan., 1990 to 31st July, 1990;

(b) names of the importers, quantity imported by each of medicine, CIF price per unit and source of import ;

(c) what are the names of the medicines which are exempted from custom duty and since when and what are the basis on which his Ministry recommended for exemption of duty;

(d) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is clearing new drugs and new combinations of drugs for marketing in the country; and

(e) if so, names of new drugs and new combinations of one or more drug for which his Ministry received applications during 1989 and 1990 Upto 20th August, 1990?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected from Port Officers and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) The Ministry recommends for exemption from customs duty for the drugs which are life-saving. The list is as per General exemption No. 100, copy enclosed (*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 99).

(d) The Drugs Controller (India) clears the new drugs and new combinations of drugs for marketing in the country after examination and consultation with experts.

(e) A total number of 86 application for clinical trial approval of New Drugs and 96 No. of combinations have been received during the said period. The information would remain confidential till a decision is taken on these applications.

Sterilisation deaths in the country

2810. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the State-wise number of sterilisation deaths during the last three years; and

(b) what steps are proposed to reduce the number of deaths to zero in such cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) The number of sterilization deaths recorded in States/Union Territories during the years 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90 are furnished in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(b) The following steps have been taken for improving quality of sterilisation and Preventing morbidity and mortality:—

1. Centres of Excellence at Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras are imparting training to doctors in standards for male and female sterilisation to bring about quality assurance ;

2. District/State Level Quality Assurance Committees are functioning to oversee the complications and mortality occuring due to sterilisation/MTP/IUD and to investigate into the cause of death and its prevention;

3. Central Laparoscopic Training Centres are functioning in medical

colleges/institutions to train doctors in laparoscopic sterilisation techniques to bring about quality improvement in the National Family Welfare Programme;

4. Supply of quality equipments for sterilisation; and

5. Holding of meetings of the State Directors of Health Services/ State Family Welfare officers and Senior Gynaecologists working in States /UTs to evaluate working of the sterilisation programme as per the instructions and guidelines issued by the Govt. of India for their rigid compliance at services centres/camp sites while undertaking sterilisation.

Statement

Sterilisation Deaths in States/UTs during the year 1987-88 *to* 1989-90.

Sl. No.	State/UTs	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	33	41	22	(upto Dec. '89)
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	..	..	..	(Do.)
3.	Assam	3	5	..	
4.	Bihar	NM	NM	NM	
5.	Goa	..	..	..	
6.	Gujarat	31	29	16	(upto Dec. '89)
7.	Haryana	6	6	7	(Do.)
8.	Himachal Pradesh	1	3	1	(Do.)
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	..	NM	NM	
10.	Karnataka	43	49	28	(upto Dec '89)
11.	Kerala	5	6	5	(Do.)
12.	Madhya Pradesh	38	28	7	(Do.)
13.	Maharashtra	36	40	32	
14.	Manipur	..	..	..	(upto Dec. '89)
15.	Meghalaya	..	..	NM	
16.	Mizoram	..	..	..	
17.	Nagaland	..	..	.	(upto Dec. '89)
18.	Orissa	28	30	14	(Do.)
19	Punjab	14	6	4	(Do.)
20.	Rajasthan	23	10	9	(upto Sep '89)
21.	Sikkim	.	..	..	(upto Dec· '89)
22.	Tamil Nadu	85	44	52	
23.	Tripura	1	1	NM	

1	2	3	4	5	
24.	Uttar Pradesh . . .	27	20	NM	
25.	West Bengal	18	29	NM	
26.	A & N Islands . . .	..	1	NM	
27.	Chandigarh	..	..	1	(upto Dec '89)
28.	D&N Haveli	..	..	..	(Do.)
29.	Daman & Diu	..	..	..	
30.	Delhi	2	3	..	(upto June '89)
31.	Lakshadweep	..	..	..	(upto Dec. '89)
32.	Pondicherry	3	1	..	(Do.)
33.	Min. of Defence . . .	1	1	2	
34.	Min of Railways . . .	..	1	5	(upto Dec '89)
	TOTAL:	398	363	285	

..Nil
NM Information not received
Figures are provisional.

Contract awarded to Ex-servicemen Co-operatives by B.C.C.L.

2811. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. Dhanbad, had awarded a Rs. 30 crore contract to ex-servicemen's Co-operatives, sponsored by Director-General of Resettlement, for annual coal transport;

(b) whether it is also a fact that later on it was found that these co-operatives were fake;

(c) whether any responsibility has been fixed in this regard and what action has been taken against those found guilty; and

(d) what is the quantum of loss suffered, if any, in this contract?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN): (a) to (d) Contracts for transportation of coal valued at about Rs. 6 crores per annum were awared by Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL) to six ex-servicemen companies sponsored by Director General of Resettlement. Complaint was later received that these companies were not operating as per the norms and guidelines stipulated by the D.G.R. and that there were irregularities in the matter of award of contracts to them. The contracts awarded to these companies were, therefore, terminated. However, two of these ex-servicemen companies namely M/s. Sainik Goods Carriers (P) Ltd. and M/s. Pragati Carriers (P) Ltd. obtained interim Stay order from the Calcutta High Court restraining BCCL from stopping their work.